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SUBJ: REQUEST TO FILL AUTHORIZED OFFICER POSITION

REF: DEPT'S AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH POSITION (NO. 102)

1. IN RESPONSE TO OUR REQUEST FOR ONE ADDITIONAL CONSULAR OFFICER CONTAINED IN OUR 1978 CONSULAR PACKAGE THE DEPT. AUTHORIZED AND ESTABLISHED POSITION NO. 31-176, CONSULAR OFFICER-VISA, FSO-7 EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 19, 1977.

2. THE CONSULAR SECTION'S WORKLOAD IS INCREASING DRAMATICALLY IN A VARIETY OF AREAS. WE ARE NOW IN A POSITION OF NOT BEING ABLE TO KEEP UP WITH OUR STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS AND THE QUALITY OF OUR SERVICES HAS SERIOUSLY DIMINISHED. DURING THE PRESENT PEAK NIV SEASON WE DISCOVERED WIDESPREAD FRAUD INVOLVING TRAVEL AGENCIES AND NIV APPLICANTS. WE ARE INVESTIGATING AND DEVELOPING CASES TO BREAK UP AND, IF POSSIBLE, ELIMINATE THIS VISA FRAUD. THE PREVIOUSLY CONSTANT 17 TO 20 PER CENT REFUSAL RATE HAS INCREASED TO ABOUT 25 PERCENT. THE ADDITIONAL TIME REQUIRED TO PROCESS NIVS (THE NUMBER OF WHICH HAS ALSO CONTINUED TO INCREASE) BECAUSE OF THE HIGHER REFUSAL RATE PLUS THE TIME NECESSARY FOR FRAUD INVESTIGATION HAS HAMPERED OUR ABILITY TO EFFECTIVELY PERFORM SERVICES REQUIRED OF US IN OTHER AREAS SUCH AS PROTECTION AND WELFARE AND CITIZENSHIP.

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3. TO COPY WITH THIS INCREASING WORKLOAD, TO PROVIDE QUALITY SERVICE, AND TO ASSURE ADEQUATE SCREENING OF VISA APPLICANTS TO COMBAT FRAUD, WE REQUEST THAT THIS NEWLY AUTHORIZED OFFICER POSITION BE FILLED IMMEDIATELY.
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